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Regarding : Amendments to the IKB Kip certification scheme per 1 June 2021.

Dear Sir/Madam,

Working in consultation with the Central Board of Experts (CCvD), we have made a number of amendments to the IKB Kip certification scheme. The amendments cover various topics such as the use of IKB PSB approved companies and objective decision-making.

The IKB Board of Directors (RvB) adopted the amendments on 22 February 2021 and these amendments will take effect on 1 June 2021. This letter informs you of the main outlines of the changes. Not every amendment will apply to your circumstances. The amendments are described per document, and the title of the section indicates if a specific type of company is concerned.

General Terms and Conditions

The PLUIMNED board has decided to delegate the management of the IKB Kip Certification Scheme to the independent IKB Kip Board of Directors. This will prevent any conflict of interest or appearance of conflict of interest. This change has been incorporated into both the General Terms and Conditions and the other necessary documents.

Annex 1.2 Regulations for poultry farms

All poultry farms

- A clarification has been made to the conditions set for feed ingredients obtained from its own cultivation or farmer-to-farmer supply. In both cases, work must be carried out in accordance with the conditions of the GMP BA10 standard. Compound feeds and other feed ingredients should be purchased from GMP+ certified suppliers (F01).
- The possibilities for cleaning, disinfection and pest control have been amended. Initially, we assume that an external company will be used in most cases. That company must be IKB PSB-approved for the right activity. Poultry farmers can also carry out this work themselves, or with their own staff. Finally, hired flex workers (independent contractors) may also be used if you carry out the work yourself but need some support. You must provide your own materials, substances, etc. The flex worker is only there as a helping hand. In all cases, make sure it is clear how you have performed the work or have had it done, e.g. by means of invoices, payrolls, set-up schedule for the chicks or the presence of farm-specific material (G08, G09, G10).



- The option of hiring an IKB PSB approved beak trimming company has been dropped. At present, there are no IKB PSB approved beak trimming companies. It is not expected that any new companies will become certified for this either. Beak trimming on poultry farms was also practically no longer done (G11).
- For broiler farms with 'hatching in the barn', the inlay sheet samples are replaced by egg shell sampling (H10).
- At the request of breeders, it has been included that rearing farms must have the salmonella sample taken by a veterinarian or paraveterinary worker 14 days before transfer (H10).

Foreign participants

Some changes have been made to make the regulations more accessible for the assessment of foreign participants. As a result, the N/A option for foreign participants disappears in the following cases.

- Foreign participants must show during the inspection that salmonella testing has been done; this must be included in the administration (C14).
- Foreign participants must demonstrate during the inspection that all animal transfers and corresponding relevant information are included in the administration (E04).
- A clarification has been made to the conditions imposed on feed materials obtained from own cultivation or farmer-to-farmer supply (also applies to Dutch participants). In both cases, work must be carried out in accordance with the conditions of the GMP BA10 standard. Compound feeds and other feed ingredients should be purchased from GMP+ certified suppliers (F01).
- Foreign participants must show during the inspection that all antibiotics administered are recorded by the veterinarian and entered into the administration (I15).
- Participants must check the most up-to-date list of drugs permitted in the country of use. Only drugs permitted in the country of deployment may be used (J37).

Annexes 1.2B, 1.2C and 1.2D clarify the assessment of hygienograms. There was an inconsistency in the follow-up of the hygienogram result (the < sign has now been replaced by the ≤ sign).

Annex 2. Certification criteria

It has been clarified that the Certifying Authority must send an assessment report to the participant within 4 weeks after the inspection.

Annex 9. Complaints procedure

The complaints procedure has undergone a legal review, after which the procedure was clarified. To increase the ease of use for participants, a complaints form has been added.

Annex 10. Description of sampling and exemption requests

- For broiler farms with 'hatching in the barn', the inlay sheet samples are replaced by egg shell sampling (5a).
- At rearing farms, the salmonella sample must have been taken by a veterinarian or paraveterinary worker 14 days before transfer (5c).

The following documents have also undergone changes, which do not affect the content requirements for participants: 5. Accreditation criteria for Certifying Authorities, 6. Central Board of Experts Regulations, 8. Broiler evaluation system, 13. Board of Directors Regulations.

More information

We place the latest version of the General Terms and Conditions for IKB Kip and annexes on www.ikbkip.com (under 'certification scheme').

Please review the amendments and the latest version of the certification scheme carefully. After all, the changes may be important for your business operations. The amendments will take effect on 1 June 2021. From that date onwards, as an IKB Kip participant you will be obliged to comply with the changes. The regulations or other parts of the certification scheme can also be sent by post on request. Please let us know if you would like to receive a copy by post.

If you have any further questions about this letter, please contact the IKB Kip Team (telephone number: + 31 (0) 88 – 998 4340, email: info@ikbkip.nl).

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'A. Sneep', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

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Chair of IKB Kip Central Board of Experts